

# Gwen Latasa

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## Profile

Adventurous, creative, full-stack developer, and multi-level thinker. Seeks challenges and takes risks with a methodical and organized approach, producing the best results. Guides the team to stay focused and progress towards the collective goal.

## Skills

HTML / CSS / Javascript / MongoDB / Node.js / Express / React / Materialize / Bootstrap  
Handlebars / Ruby on Rails / Git / SQL / Python / C++ / Java / Adobe Photoshop

## Relevant Experience

### **Web Development, General Assembly, Nov 2017—Feb 2018**

In 3 months, developed and deployed 5 personal and group full-stack projects with a 100% completion rate. Projects were developed in a matter of days and included:

- Javascript version of the popular retro game Simon
- Node.js app with MongoDB, Passport, Express, and Materialize/Handlebars
- Visually engaging MERN-style app developed with a team of students
- Full-stack Ruby on Rails karaoke song tracking app

### **Computer Scientist, E-OIR Measurements, 2002—2004**

Researched, designed, and coded prototype software in Python for the US Army, to capture, process, and integrate with an application to display field sensor data in real time.

## Experience

### **Longterm Substitute Teacher, Fairfax County Public Schools, 2005, 2014—Present**

Quickly learn and implement classroom plans and teaching methods to instruct students of varying ages in different subjects. During longterm assignments, design lessons to engage and instruct students.

### **Team Leader, Volunteers for Change, 2015—Present**

Manage and coordinate volunteers for reoccurring monthly projects.

### **Traveled to 6 Continents and 80 Countries – 2008-2013**

Achieved lifetime goals of traveling, living, and working across the world. Taught English to over 700 students as a professor at Suwon Science College in South Korea, and as a paid and volunteer teacher in various youth summer camps. Honed communication skills through interactions with local people and by writing a travel blog. Learned how to adapt to new, and sometimes difficult, situations quickly and calmly; handling the unexpected with patience and quick-thinking.

## Education

### **General Assembly, Washington, DC, Feb 2018**

Web Development Immersive

### **Santa Monica College, Santa Monica, CA, Sept 2006—Aug 2008**

Commercial Photography

### **College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, VA, May 2002**

BS Computer Science, *magna cum laude*